THE BUDGET TABLED.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN FAIL TO CONCUR IN THE ORDINANCE.

THE STREET REPORT AGAIN REFERRED

Regular Business Session Last Night, But Little Business Transacted-Lot Given for Burial of Confederate Women.

The Board of Aldermen held its March meeting last night, and it was truly a blustering sort of session, fraught with but little significance. The budget was tabled for lack of enough votes to pass it, and the report of the Committee on Streets relative to the Engineer's Department was read and referred promptly the Retrenchment and Reform Committee, whence the ordinance came, Those in attendance upon last night's meeting were: President Turpin and Masses, Allen, Burton, Carter, Cutchins, Hardwicke, Montgomery, Moore, Noble, Smith, Snead, Starke, Vaughan, and

From the Committee on Streets came he report of that body, relative to the Retrenchment and Reform Ordinance reerred to it from the Board of Aldermen. The report recommended that all the fices of the city government be kept open for the transaction of business between the hours of 9 A. M. and 6 P. M. daily, except Sundays and holidays, during time all officers and employees shall be in attendance at the office, unousiness, this, however, not to apply offices of Mayor, City Attorney, and sleian to the Poor. ONE SHALL DO OUTSIDE WORK

The following substitute was offered section 2 of the ordinance: "No city employee shall engage in priars preacribed for city work, except direction of the City Counauthorizing service for public or pri-institutions, provided this shall apply to the following," etc.

A substitute for section 3 was recom-lended, as follows: "There shall be e assistant engineers and a clerk, of whom shall be appointed by the Engineer, subject to approval by ommittee on Streets, who shall perall the duties that may be pre scribed for them by the Engineer, derk, in addition to his other duties, attend all meetings of the Com-I keep a record of its proceedings out additional compensation to that as clerk to the department." The ttee also recommended that salary, if reduction be necessary, be remendations of minor importance were made, and the Board referred the entire report to the Committee on Retrench-Reports were received from other com-

mittees and properly referred. THE BUDGET TABLED.

this juncture the Clerk read the from the Common Council. This which is an ordinance cancelling aded appropriations of 1896, and ng new appropriations for the va-departments of the city for 1897, printed in full in the Dispatch yesmorning, a week ago. Imme-after the reading of the budget Allen moved its adoption. The two-thirds vote, as follows:

-Messrs. Burton, Cutchins, Mont-Moore, Snead, Starke, Vaughan,

Noble, Smith, and President Tur-

osed this step. The Clay-Ward ian said he was willing to let dget sleep the long sleep it was to have before he would vote adoption. He did not think the cil was proceeding in accordance the law in this matter, and asked the annual report of the Auditor ore any action was taken. Mr. Hard-ke explained that this budget was an ordinance, which any indi-member of the Board could offer. er some further discussion the action which the budget was lost was residered, and the paper was laid on LOT FOR CONFEDERATE WOMEN.

The Hoard concurred in the ordinance, twing a lot in River-View Cemetery to see Camp, as burying-ground for desti-Confederate women.

A resolution from the lower branch. y departments to live this year with-the amount of the estimated receipts the year 1897, was adopted. n motion of Mr. Hardwicke, the reso-

ion requesting the City School Board live within the sum appropriated to this year was laid on the table, this livery. on having been taken with reference and refused to give the Faith

ne 15,000 feet of gas.

the final roll-call, Mr. Carter sub ted a pedition, which was referred the Committee on Streets, asking for construction of a sewer in Walnut set between Grove avenue and Hanstreets, to connect with the sewer

ort of the City Auditor for 1896, which already been published in the Dis-

RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM. The promised statement from Mr. Allen atman of the Committee on Retrench-est and Reform, was made by that gen-man. Mr. Allen stated briefly the work d been done by his committee, and xhaustive report

the Board, chins's resolution, providing nds of the Health Department a full day's work when they day's work when dismissed or at of bad weather (which was so Street Department upon the same footing), achment and Reform, and W. ferred to the committees on Health and

he resolution with reference to the cry and duties of the Clerk of the stings Court, which had been referred he Committee on Retrenchment and letailed information as to the duties and compensation of this officer.

After the transaction of some other wine business the Board adjourned.

PREVENT CRUELTY TO ANIMALS. Bouthly Meeting of the Richmond Society.

The Board of Directors of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals held its regular meeting last evening, with the following members present: Dr. Jud. B. Wood, president; W. Ben. Palmer, trensurer; Frank J. Craigle, Jr., secre-tary; E. C. Taylor, agent; W. A. Townes, John Chamblin, Cyrus Bossieux, C. R. Kennon, E. C. Mayo, Mrs. W. Ben, Palmer, Miss Pearl Bodeker, and Mrs. Lesile. The following report of Agent Taylor for February 1837 was read and Taylor for February, 1897, was read and approved: Cases investigated, 67; over-loaded teams, 6; animals cared for by asent, 2; driver reported to owner for sent to stable, 1; horses with sore backs unhitched and sent to stable, 2; horses, poor and with sore legs, not fit to work, unhitched and sent to stable, 2; mule with sore back, unhitched and sent to stable, 2; mule with sore back, unhitched and sent to stable, and unequalled by any other physician. You can consult him other physician with the physician him other physicia

1; lame hogs, unable to keep up with drove, five placed in wagon, 1; horse too cak to pull empty wagon, sent to stable 1; horse sick on street, unhitched and sent to stable, 1; injured horse found in sent to stable, I; injured horse found in old stable, on agent's advice owner sent for veterinary surgeon, 1; admonition given drivers, 29; admonition given owners, 12; no cause for complaint, 4. A negro was fined \$5 for pouring hot water on a dog. A man was fined \$10 for cruelly beating a horse with a stick five feet long and four inches in circumference. He took an appeal and the case was car-He took an appeal and the case was cared to the Hustings Court, which sustained the sentence of the lower court, ng costs, amounting, with the fine, to \$24.80. A boy was reported for tying two cows' talls together. At the request of the owner the youth was not proscued to the youth was not provided to th

cuted, but was punished by his father. During the month the following animals destroyed: Diseased wounded, and worthless dogs, 31; cats, 14; horses and mules, 14. Total, 59.

Dr. Wood informed the board of the

presenting to the society by Miss Julia Mayo of a number of pamphlets upon vivisection. These comprise articles by prominent surgeons, scientists, and others, and present the question very

After discussing the advisability of making an effort to effect the organiza-tion of school children's "Bands of Mercy," upon the lines of those in other cities, a committee was appointed to inrestigate this question After the transaction of routine busi-

ness the meeting was adjourned.

ACCIDENT TO A RICHMONDER.

Mr. R. E. Craig Has His Foot Crushed at Staunton.

A special to the Dispatch from its Staunton correspondent last night tells of a very serious acident in that city yesterday to Mr. Robert E. Craig, a well-known merchandise broker of this city, who resides at No. 1022 west Grace street. The tele-

"Mr. Craig, in attempting to board an east-bound Chesapeake and Ohio railway train, slipped and fell under the moving cars. Mr. John Spotts, of this city, rescued him, and probably saved his life, but Mr. Craig's foot was crushed by the

This afternoon Drs. H. H. Henkel and J. Breckinridge Catlett amputated the foot, and when a Dispatch representative called at the King's Daughters' Hospital to-night the patient was resting quietly.

Brotherhood Services at Barton Heights ..

Rev. Wilson P. Chrisman, rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Barton Heights, has arranged for a series of interesting services to be held during Lent. In these services the rector will be aided by the members of Epiphany Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the meetings are designed to be of special help and value to Brotherhood men. clergyman and layman will speak at each service. Below will be seen a list speakers, their subjects, and the dates of the services: March 11th, Thursday, 8 P. M., Rev.

L. R. Mason and Mr. P. A. Arthur, Sub-"The Christian at Home. March 17th, Wednesday, 8 P. M., Rev. Hugh Martin and Mr. Joseph Bryan. Subject: "The Christian in Church." March 24th, Wednesday, 8 P. M., Rev. J. J. Gravatt and Mr. T. C. Ruffin. Sub-

ject: "The Christian in Business." March 21st, Wednesday, 8 P. M., Rev. F. S. Stickney and Mr. S. M. Woodward.

April 7th, Wednesday, 8 P. M., Rev. J. Y. Downman and Mr. A. S. Groser. J. Y. Downman and Mr. A. S. Groser. Subject: "The Christian as a Citizen." April 13th, Tuesday, 8 P. M., Bishop C. C. Penick and Judge J. C. Lamb. Sub-"The Christian as the Highest Type

The Fine Special Doing Well. Mr. John D. Potts, assistant-generalussenger-agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, said yesterday that the Burton, Hard-Burton, Hard-train between Washington and Old Point was doing an exceptionally large busi-ness. The train is superb in its appointments and rapid in its speed. It comes down from Washington on Tuesomes down from Washington Hardwicke here moved a recontion in order to lay the measure table, and Mr. Carter vigorous-days. Thursdays, and Saturdays, and Gays. Thursdays, and Saturdays, and Fridays.

dining-car on this train is the only one that passes through Richmond.

Infirmary Ladies Return Thanks. The ladies who had charge of the booth of the Richmond Eye, Ear, and Throat Infirmary at the bazaar recentgiven under the auspices of the As ciated Hospitals extend their sincere thanks to the Cohen Company for de-corations, to Mr. Fritz Sitterding for putting up the booth, and to Mr. E. W. afford, of the Richmond Railway and Electric Company, for a most generous and tasteful arrangement of electriclights, which he gave them.

A large congregation gathered in Seventh-Street church last night, and the pledging the councilmen to require the second service in the revival series there The subject of Mr. Poweil's very powerful and deeply earnest discourse was, "I Am a Sinner." Mr. Powell is one of the most finished pulpit speakers who has visited Richmond, and thorough earnestness pervades his manner of de-

subject this evening will be "The Bondage of Sin."

Death of Mr. H. P. Barrow.

After a protracted and painful filness Mr. H. P. Barrow, an aged citizen of Charles City county, died at his home early Monday morning. Mr. Barrow had nearly reached the advanced age of 75 nearly reached the days a life of usefulness.
For many years before his death he
was a consistent member of Mt. Pleasant
Baptist church, and was always a valued counsellor and a sincere friend.

Old Dominion Club.

A regular meeting of the Old Dominion Democratic Club will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the club's headquar-Officers to serve under the laws adopted by the club at the last meeting will be elected, and all interneeting will be elected, and all interested in the success of the organization are invited to be present. It is probable that some interesting speakers will be present to address the meeting.

Naval Orders of Interest.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9.—Naval orders were issued to-day as follows: Lieutenant-Commander F. P. Gilmore is ordered to examination for promotion at Washington, March 15th; Surgeon G. P. Lomsden to the receiving-ship Constellarelieving Assistant-Surgeon R. G. Broderick, who goes to the New I navy-yard; Surgeon T. C. Craig is tached from the marine rendezvous, I York, and ordered before the Retiring Board, and Ensign R. Stone transferred from the Newark to the Indiana, re-lieving Ensign W. S. Crosley, ordered to the torpedo-boat Porter.

The Newark to Be Overhauled. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9,-The

cruiser Newark is to be placed out of ruiser Newitk 18
commission at Norfolk, Va., the middle
of this month, for an extensive overnauling, which may take six months, The officers will be assigned to other duty, and most of the enlisted men transferred to other ships.

In Despair.

If you are in despair from loss of vitality weakness, and nervous prostration, and you have no interest in life, write to Dr. Greene, 35 west Fourteenth street, to Dr. Greene, 33 west Fourteenth street, New York city, and all you have lost will be restored. Dr. Greene is the most eminent specialist of his time, the most successful physician to-day. His cures are wonderful, and unequalled by any other physician. You can consult him

SCENE IN A CHURCH.

WILBUR TURNER, WHILE INTOXI-CATED, INTERRUPTS A LECTURE.

MANCHESTER GRAYS HOLD A MEETING.

Report of Captain Lipscomb on the Maury-Street Sewer-Y. M. C. A. for the City Across the James-Other South Side News.

Considerable excitement reigned in West-End Methodist church, Manchester, for a short while last night. A large congregation had assembled to hear Miss Frances Ensign in one of her very entertaining and instructive lectures, but after the discourse had been commenced, a young white man, named Wilbur Turner, took a hand in it. Wilbur Turner has time and time before given the police a great deal of trouble.

The lecture was on the subject of "Temperance," but Turner is not a believer in any such new fangled doctrines and teachings, and was even at the time, more than half "full," He came in the church in the very midst of the discourse, and had scarcely seated himself when he became a howling object upon which all eyes were turned He would begin real soft and low, but his voice gradually gave force and voltil a shriek of curses was He was gesticulating wildly, and ventilating his views on temperance, when a half-dozen young men seized him, and he was being hustled towards the door. In the open air he and his escort were met by Officer Al. Alvis, and the march to the station-house be-

HAD NOT EXHAUSTED HIMSELF. But these who thought Turner had exhausted himself in the church greatly mistaken in their impressions He was in fighting humor, and he was determined to gratify himself. The man fought like a wild beast, but the plucky fficer of Swansboro' held fast to him, until Captain Lipscomb appeared on the scene. Then the tables turned, and before Turner could count four he had two knots on his head and two nippers his hands, and he was "double

When the station-house was gained and the nippers were taken from the man's hands he was plucky, even then, seemed determined to die game While standing at the door of the cell he made a desperate attempt to strike Captain Lipscomb, but that was a game to play on some other man, and not Manchester's Chief, for in a twinkling er was pushed backwards, whirling into the cell, and the wicket gate was

MANCHESTER GRAYS MEET.

There was an important business meeting of the Grays of Manchester in their armory last night. The session was an executive one, and the members were as quiet as possible as to the proceedings, but the company at this time is agitating question of very vital importance to it provide a drill hall and incidentals i has been the custom of the company to receive a monthly appropriation from city. This apportionment the soldier lads found insufficient, and the city was asked for a more liberal contribution, but they have waited in vain so far for response. How they shall meet their obligations is now the great problem that lies, per-

haps, still unsolved with them.

They will meet it as soldiers should,

APPROVED THE WORK.

There was a joint session of the water ommissioners and four members of the City Council in the Superintendent's office last evening at 7:30 o'clock. The body formed a special "Committee on Sewer-age," and to it was submitted the report of Captain Lipscomb. City-Engineer, on the extensive sewer work which has been done recently on Maury street. The report was accepted and ordered to be filed. The water commissioners met later and transacted routine business.

WILL HAVE A Y. M. C. A. The Christian people of Manchester will assemble to-morrow night in mass meeting in Bainbridge-Street Baptis church, and a Young Men's Christia. Association will be organized. At thi meeting State-Secretary Lee A. Coulter will preside, and a chairman and secretary will be elected. It is the desire of the gentlemen who have started the work to have a hall similar to those in

other cities.
If they succeed in their undertaking it will be something this city has needed for a long time. At present the boy and young men of this city have no place to spend their leisure time. With the young men, they go to the saloons for amusements, and the boys hang around

COUNTY COURT NEWS.

The Chesterfield County Court was in ession Monday, Judge William I. Clop-on presiding. The grand jury falled to ton presiding. The grand jury falled to find a true bill against Ephriam Scott (colored) for house-breaking. Scott was arrested about four months ago, charged with breaking into and robbing the residence of Mr. Johnson, opposite the public school-house in Swansboro'. His case was sent on by 'Squire Jones to the grand jury, and he has been in jail ever

road case was continued. The road case was continued. This cause has attracted a great deal of attention among the citizens of the county. A right of way to build a new road was granted by the Judge at a recent term of his court. Several of the citizens of the county did not like the idea of the county being put to the extra expense, and the gree out an injunction. and they got out an injunction. The case will possibly be concluded at

POLICE COURT NEWS.

Owing to the continued indisposition of Mayor Maurice, 'Squire Tyson presided over the sinners in the Police Court yes-

terday morning.
The case of Mr. Hammond Fischer, charged with threatening to shoot Mr. Norwood Bailey, was called, but at the request of Mr. W. Hay Garnett, counsel for Mr. Fisher, was continued until this

Messrs. R. L. French and R. B. Taylor were before the 'Squire for fighting in the street. The gentlemen threw them-selves on the mercy of the Court, and were fined the usual \$2.50 and costs each, Little Alma Andrews, daughter of Mr. Sidney Andrews, who fainted on Twelfth Monday evening, is very much ved. The little girl was going to her home from school. When she has gotten opposite the colored Masonic Hali one of her companions showed her a The picture frightened the child into a ainting spell, and she became senseless. She was picked up in this condition and taken into the residence of Assistant-Postmaster John B. Goode. Dr. J. W. Whitfield was summoned and did all that was necessary to relieve the little one.

and Eighth. STOLE, BUT WAS CAUGHT. At the Magistrate's Court, in Swans boro' yesterday morning, Wilson Mayo (colored) was given thirty days in jail for stealing wood. The wood was stolen from Mr. T. L. Cersley in his wood-yard,

She was taken at a late hour to

home on Stockton street, between Seventh

in Swansboro'. The clerks in the store have been missing their fuel for some time past. They concluded to set a past. They concluded to h, and Saturday afternoon watch, ere rewarded by catching the thief in the person of Mayo.

Henry Skipper and John Harris, both colored, were fined \$\mathbf{X}\$ and costs for fighting in the streets of Swansbord Saturday

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS. Messrs. E. H. Wells, W. Hay Garnett,

and David L. Pulliam have returned from Chesterfield Courthouse. Mr. Phil. Rowze, of Greensboro', is visiting his friends in the city. Mayor Maurice is detained at home by

the direction of City-Engineer James A.

Mr. B. A. Nunnally, who has been quite

The many friends of Mrs. L. R. Thorn-

family to Greensboro', N. C., where they

will reside in future. Mr. W. T. Gilliam, the popular clerk at

machinery, and had it mashed very badly. He was taken to a physician who dressed his hand. He was the

sent to his home, on west Seventh street

REV. MR. MILLINGTON FOUND.

He is Deranged.

penniless and starving. He is evidently

MRS. DICKERSON.

NEWARK, N. J., March 9 .- Mrs. Do

rothy Dickerson, whose departure from her home here was connected with the

disappearance of the Rev. E. J. Oldknow Millington, paster of the Fairmouth Bap-

tist church, this city, who was located to-day at Keeseville, N. Y., arrived in Newark to-day, and went to the house of

her mother,
"I deny, emphatically," she said, "that

I went away with or met Mr. Millington

last time one week ago last Sunday.

went to Chicago at the solicitation of

friend, for what purpose I will not say.

What I did and whom I saw is my busi-ness; none of the public's."

MOBILE AND OHIO R. R.

Opposition to Proposed Extension

Practically Unanimous.

position was based on the proposition

principal, by the Mobile and Ohio. This would increase the fixed charges ahead of

protest against the construction of the extension. Under a power of attorney executed in 1879, the directors of the

holders instead of the stockholders. The stockholders are seeking to abrogate this

power of attorney. The directors have

been trying to organize a syndicate to un-

CRESCENT CITY RACES.

Three Favorites Win-Spoils Thus

Pretty Evenly Divided.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 9.-Fine

weather and a drying track marked to-

2500, and as three favorites won, the

First race-seven furlongs-Styx

Campbell, 6 to 1) won, Annie Teutor second, Baalgad third. Time, 1:331-2. Second race-mile and one-sixteenth-Elkin (194, Scherer, 11 to 5) won, Seel-bach second, Senator Penrose third.

Third race-seven furlongs-Little Billy

(93, T. Burns, 2 to 1) won, R. Q. Ban second, Skyblue third. Time, 1:32 3-4.
Fourth race—mile—Martin (98, Clay, 5

Sixth race—six furlongs—The Sculpton (105, J. Gardner, 7 to 5) won, Jake Zim-

BRYAN AT LITTLE ROCK.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 9 .- A

House, appeared on the stand with the distinguished speaker. Mr. Bryan's talk, after a few complimentary remarks on

the warmth of the reception tendered by

the citizens, was confined to the science of government, and that he touched a

Bryan left for Memphis on the afternoon

Franco-British Clash in Africa.

LONDON, March 9.—A dispatch from Brass, west coast of Africa, says that the news recently received there of the occupation of the town of Boussa by a

occupation of the town of Boussa by a French force of 400 men, commanded by white officers, is confirmed. This incursion into territory long recognized as being within the British sphere is resented by

the officials of the British Niger Com-pany, who are considering the question of

Appointments to Naval Acadamy.

Department has sent notice to about 122 members of the new House of Representa-

members of the new Hodse of Representa-tives informing them of their right to ap-point cadets to the Naval Academy. The

Suits for Dick Tate's Insurance.

catch rheumatism. Salvation

WASHINGTON, March 9.-The Navy

forcibly expelling the intruders.

next class.

popular chord in all he uttered was tested by most vociferous applause.

the Mobile and Ohio stock by \$200,000, The stockholders, at their annual meet-ing in Mobile, December 28th, entered a

Mobile and Ohio are named by

derwrite the extension bonds.

vided.

1:54 1-2.

third. Time, 1:463-4.

of several turf journals.

hill will be pleased to learn that she

trouble

LOOK AT CONDUITS.

throat trouble.

Mr. J. Fay DuVal is at home from the STREET COMMITTEE WILL DEinauguration.

Mr. Jerome Fuller has returned from

VOTE TO-DAY TO PHILADELPHIA. YESTERDAY IN THE METROPOLIS.

Mr. Jerome Fuller has rectained from a visit to Blacksburg.

Mr. Joseph Crooks, of Selma, N. C., is in the city visiting his family.

The damaged sewers have been repaired on Maury street by the city hands, under the direction of City-Engineer James A. Further Investigation of the Long Distance Telephone System-Some Pleasure Combined With the Business of the Day in New York.

> H. Simmons has removed his (From a Staff Correspondent of the Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, March 9.- The Richmond Committee on Streets, which is here lookthe delivery window at the post-office, is the delivery window at the post-once, is detained at home with the grip.

Mr. Henry Vaden has returned from a trip to Baltimore.

Mr. A. G. Hancock, of Chicago, was in the city to see Mr. W. J. Carter Monday. ing into the practical operation of the and is able to get about his room American Company's long-distance telephone system, has made the best use of to-day that was possible under the cir-cumstances. They visited the general held at the Young Men's Christian Asso-Mr. Hancock is the special correspondent offices of the company again, talked over W. McKim Marriott, of Philadelphia, was in the city yesterday morning, call-ing on his friends. matters further with General Meaney. prosecuted further their inquiry into the workings of the underground systems for The Richmond Standard Spike and Axle Works have a force of hands emelectric-wires, and spent the remainder of the day sight-seeing.

ployed getting the plant ready for work.
Mr. Milton McLaurin, of Powhatan
county, is in the city, the guest of Judge There was a light rain during the latter part of the afternoon, which somewhat 3. A. Hancock. While Claud Wingo, a youth, about 18 interfered with the pleasure of the visityears of age, was at work Monday after-noon at the Manchester Paper- and Twine-Mill, he got his hand caught in the

Upon the arrival of the committee in Philadelphia to-morrow at noon they will be met by Superintendent Hovey, of the American system, and Chief Walker, of the Electrical Department of the city of Philadelphia, and shown the fourteen systems of underground conduits in use there. The American Company has 300 miles of

GET HOME THURSDAY.

He Returns to His Father's Home-The committee expect to reach Rich-mond Thursday morning, though the party PLATTSBURG, N. Y., March 9.-The will be smaller than when it left on Sun-Rev. E. J. Oldknow Millington, paster of day. Mr. Ebel had to leave to-night to attend to important business at home. Mr. the Baptist church at Newark, N. J., who disappeared from his home in that Pollock, after taking the Philadelphia trip, will return to this city, and then visit his relatives in Rhode Island, and Mr. Bloomcity last week, arrived at his father's home, in Keeseville, last night, from berg will stop over in Baltimore to spend a few days with his brother, who is in He says that he knows no thing of what transpired after he left home until he found himself in Montreal, business there.

The Street Committee at its last meeting fixed upon the 16th instant as the time to pass finally upon the question of granting the franchise asked by the American Com-pany. It is not certain that this course will be adhered to, but if it is General Meaney will be present and advocate the claims of the corporation which he so

General Meaney's business-like talk be- avenue, fore the committee after the dinner at Manhattan Club so impressed the mem-bers of the committee that they invited him to be present at the next session of the committee for the consideration this subject and give the same general in-formation to the other members who could not take the New York trip.

General Meaney, who is very practical and direct in his style of speaking, shows thorough familiarity with the entire subject of telephony, and his frankness and straightforwardness has greatly impressed the Richmond delegation.

AS TO THE LOCAL COMPANY. He was asked during his speech last

NEW YORK, March 9 .- A meeting of night if in his judgment the Richmond the stockholders of the Mobile and Ohio Telephone Company could give a satisfac Railroad Company was held to-day to contory service at present charges. sider the proposed extension from Columdiplomatically excused himself from a di rect reply, but referred to several in-stances, notably in North Carolina, where bus, Miss., to Montgomery, Ala., a line about 200 miles long, bearing the name of the Montgomery, Tuscaloosa, and St. Louis railroad. One-third of the capital companies charging higher rates have not been able to pay a cent dividend or even pay their officers. Then, touching the stock of the Mobile and Ohio railroad was general subject of profits from this busirepresented, and opposition to the extension was practically unanimous. The operror in the opinion that large sums are issue \$4,000,000 4 per cent, bonds on the new line, to be guaranteed, interest and The American Company has never made

over 5 per cent. on its investment, nor has the Southern Bell ever made over 8 per cent. The work of building long-distance lines south from Washington has begun, and General Meaney assures the committee that his company proposes to cover the entire South, whether it is permitted to enter Richmond just now or 's capital the southern distributing point, and, therefore, to put it on the main lines going from Washington south and from Norfolk

Personals and Briefs.

Ex-Alderman Joseph W. Carter, of Mar shall Ward, is still very ill.

Colonel E. W. Keer, of Clinton, N. C., in the city, stopping at Murphy's Hotel. There will be a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture on Friday at 11

day's racing. The attendance numbered A. M. Mr. L. W. Scoville, who has been quite ill at the Jefferson Hotel, is somewhat spoils of the day were pretty well dibetter.

> Miss Marion Bruce Snead, of Union, is visiting Miss Mary Howard Walthall. Mr. P. H. C. Cabell returned last nigh

from Hartford, Conn., where he had been on legal business. Mrs. E. A. McBec, of St. Louis, Mo., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. George P. Stacy, at No. 212 east Franklin street.

While at work in the bicycle-factory to 1) won, Stanza second, Pete Kitchen E. Stonebraker yesterday, Mr. W. H. Fifth race—six furlongs—Tommy Rut-ter (198, J. Hill, 7 to 19) won, Roslyn se-cond, Miss Sturgis third. Time, 1:191-2. Graham was overcome by heat. Mrs. Harry Forbes Curtis is quite sick

at the residence of her mother, Mrs. John Robinson, No. 1100 Decatur street, Judge and Mrs. Augustus Van Wyck of Brooklyn, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Boykin, 419 east Franklin.

merman second, Miss Rowett third. Time, 1:18. There was to have been a meeting of the Council Committee on Cer He Speaks on the Science of Govnight, but there was no quorum present

Miss Ruth Puller, accompanied by her friend, Miss Louise Budd, of Blackstone, left yesterday for Old Point and Newport crowd of 10,000 or 12,000 people greeted News for a few days. Hon. W. J. Bryan when he appeared on The condition of Mrs. Sarah L. Bernard, the stand in front of the State-House, at

who was hopelessly paralyzed at the resi-10:20 this morning. Governor Jones and General James C. Tappen, Speaker of the dence of her son-in-law, Mr. Robert Hill Jr., remains unchanged. Ex-Collector - of - Internal - Revenu

James D. Brady is still in Florida. His health is bad, and his friends are uneasy about his condition. R. C. Bruce, representing the Tennesse Centennial and International Exposition to be held at Nashville in May, is in the

city. He is stopping at Murphy's. Mr. R. T. McLeod, of the First Au Mr. R. T. Merzen, to Lexington, to ditor's office, has gone to Lexington, to spend a few days at his home. I trip is for both business and pleasure.

Mr. A. L. Crouch, assistant surgeon of R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, is very sick at his rooms, over Miller & Rhonds' store, on Broad street. Mr. R. Gray Taylor, formerly of Richmond, but for the past ten years a resi-

dent of Chicago, has just returned to the

city on a visit to his brother, Mr. Carroll Captain R. L. Parks, Commonwealth's Attorney of Page county, and member of the House of Delegates, is in the city on some legal business before the Court of Appeals.

Mr. R. G. Taylor, formerly of Richmond, but for the past ten years a restdent of Chicago, is visiting his brother, Mr. Carroll Taylor, of No. 2700 east point cadets to the candidates are to come for their admission examination May 15th. President McKinley also will have two appointments to the Franklin street. FRANKFORT, KY., March 9,-The State is preparing suits to recover from

State is preparing suits to recover from life-insurance companies the amount of policies on the life of ex-Sfate-Treasurer Dick Tate, who defaulted for \$250,000. The policies have been kept up by his daughter and son-in-law. Tate has not been heard from in eight years, and the suit will be brought on the ground that

If you go out early in the morning, you Oil the Grand Lodge will be held in Staunton

The Council Committee on Second Mar ket met on Monday, and the matter of hucksters selling at wholessle to occupy market space was discussed, and the Clerk was ordered to attend to the mat-

The Crescent Social Club will meet at the residence of Mrs. T. P. Cheatham, Marx's Addition, next Friday night, and after the meeting there will be an er tertainment. All the club members a

urged to be present. Mrs. D. B. Weddifield and sister, Miss Cornelia C. Burks, of Lynchburg, who have been spending several days with relatives and friends in the city, re-turned home Monday morning, very much lelighted with their trip.

Mr. W. Harry Cardoza, the Rich-

mond telephone inspector, who met with a painful accident last week by being upset by a dog while riding his wheel to a fire, is improving rapidly, crutches. A regular meeting of the Richmond

ciation Hall last night. Dr. J. N. Upshur was the leader of the discus ewening, which dealt with the uses of Captain John T. Knight, of the United

States army, who until a few months ago was detailed as instructor to the Virginia Volunteers, but who is now sta tioned at Jeffersonville, Ind., as quarter-master, is in the city on a week's leave

There are five Greeks in Richmond, all of whom are in the candy-raking business. Not one of them has as yet determined to leave this country for their native land to fight Turks. They are of the opinion that Greece will come out victorious in her struggles.

Officer W. A. King, of the Third Diswhile in attendance upon the Police Court. The number of the revolver is 6128, and the finder can return it either to police headquarters or to the Third Station It is said that Westminster Presbyte

rian church, on west Cary street, in Henrico county, may before a great while be removed to Grove avenue. With the exception of the chapel at the Soldiers' Home, there is no church building on Grove avenue of Grove road west of Dr. Hiden's church. Mr. M. G. Wiggins and wife,

Patchogue, N. Y., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mousell, of Sixth street. Captain Lewis H. Brewster and wife, of Port Jefferson, N. Y., have also been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mousell. Captain Brewster and wife were also entertained at Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Briggs's, of Grove

Mr. Charles H. Phillips, the popular City Treasurer, has just purchased a por-trait of General Robert E. Lee. It is a water-color painting by Mr. William Kopske, a former resident of this city. It was originally painted for the late Mr. Henry Westerhoff, and is considered by best portraits of the dead hero.

Mr. Kendall J. Keegan, a student of St. Charles Ecclesiastical College, Ellicott City, Md., has been granted a month's furlough by the president of the ollege, in accordance with the advice of his physician. He has recently passed very severe examination, and hard study has caused a nervous attack. It is thought that rest will restore him to

Workmen of the City Engineer's De partment are at present engaged in making a sewer connection on east Main below Twelfth. In making the necessary excavations they had to break through one of the old stone sewers that served to drain the portion of the city around the Capitol Square, and just above it yes-terday morning they found in the old sewer two old cannon balls of four and six-inch guns, respectively. The only explanation as to the manner in which the balls reached there is that they have been washed down from the Capitol Square through the sewer.

Richmonders in New York. NEW YORK, March 9 .- (Special.)-P. H. . Cabell, Murray Hill; E. T. D. Myers, Hoffman; M. Sycle, Albert.

WOODS MOUNTAIN.

Iron Mines-The Rock Spring-A Historic Grave.

(Written for the Dispatch.) New Store, Va., March 5, 1897.

Buckingham is not a mountainous county. With the exception of some half dozen peaks, standing like sentinels, far off from the line of Nature's glants, the rugged chain of the Blue Rridge, the surface is comparatively level; and, with the proper agricultural development, which is slowly, but surely, coming, could be made as beautiful as the land-scape scenes in England or Southern France. Among the largest and tallest of these mountain spurs are the well-known peaks of Willis and Spears; but by far the most attractive for its size is Woods mountain, a small eminence or the southern border of the county, covered yet with a primeval growth of oak and pine, and crowned with tall, gray cliffs of stone, that for centuries have and looked down in silent patience upon the valley at its base, and the Appomat-tox, as it dashes, foams, and sparkles

on its way to the sea.
In days gone by Woods mountain was perhaps better known to the people of the surrounding country than it is to-day. There is now no public thoroughfare in touch with the mountain; though there is still to be seen the signs of a splendidly-constructed road that in past times was built, perhaps, with much ex-penditure of time and labor, through the principal gap, and around the southern base of the mountain. This road, which passes in some places very near the steep anks of the Appomattox river, led to Planterstown, a small village, just west of the mountain, that, I have been told by some of the older inhabitants of the community, was long years ago quite an important shipping point for timber, toco, and furs, the produce being bacco, and furs, the produce being snip-ped down the Appointation on flat-boats and barges, despite the fact that in some places the stream is very swift, and, at the same time, so filled with jetting rocks as to be exceedingly It is interesting to note that not a vestige of this town remains to be seen. It has disappeared as completely from the face of the earth as Carthage,

the storied city of Troy. The Appomattox river, after leaving Wood's mountain, makes numerous great wood s models in consequence of pro-jecting ridges and ledges on both sides of the stream. The first of these necks is on the side opposite the mountain-a fertile, level, and productive farm known as the "Horseshoe." The se-cond, which is on the side with the nountain, is a wild, rocky mountain, is a wild, rocky tract, heavily grown in places with dense un-derbrush and thickets, and altogether weird and uncanny in laspect. This place is known far and wide as the "Devil's Elbow," and as being literally with all kinds of ghosts, and witches, as well as a cer-tain unknown animal—if animal, indeed, it be—that pulls dogs' heads from their shoulders as easily as a cook wrings the

neck of a chicken. NOT ALTOGETHER UNCANNY.

A deed of bargain and sale was recorded in the Chancery Court yesterday from R. L. Kastelberg to Joseph F., Charles H., and William Kastelberg, conveying real estate for \$2.060.

The Board of the Chesapeake and its Tributaries held its monthly meeting yesterday, and transacted the usual amount of routine business. The usual monthly bills were ordered to be paid.

At a meeting of Friendship Lodge, No. 10, I. O. O. F., last night, Past-Grand F. A. Jones was elected Representative to the Grand Lodge, and Past-Grand George R. Pitt, alternate. The next meeting of R. Pitt, alternate. The next meeting of the choicest favors of centuries.

But Wood's mountain is not altogether uncanny. There is a Fairyland here where hobgoblins never come, but where all night long the elfs and fays, dance merrily and undisturbed, and Oherm and Titania rule the happy land. This place is known as the Rock Spring, a beautiful spot upon which nature has lavished her choicest favors. Around the spot is a glade, thick-grown with flowers that grow both in woods and meadow, blended here in joyful sisterhood. On both sides rise the mountain, not perpendicularly, but gradually, covered here with signatic forest oaks, grown over the lonely grave of the backwoods over the lonely gra

GREAT STOCK SALES

The Field-Chapman Stock of Floor Mattings,

The Delafield Stock of Rugs, The Rubber Company's

Stock of Ladies' and Children's Mackintoshes, The 27,512 Yard Purchase

of White Embroideries. The Sample Stocks of La.

dies' Ready-Made Suits. 60000000

The Embroidery Sale. An experience absolutely without precedent. Thousands of yards of Snowy White Embroideries were sold here Monday, more thousands were sold Tuesday, and the selling goes on to-dny and every day at exactly the same sale prices until every yard is disposed of. Some of the slow-selling patterns are placed on tables a little lower in price—for instance, some 2c. ones go on the 1c. table; some 10c. ones go on the 8c. table, etc. It's the talk of the town. Haven't you heard of it? Write for samples.

Ladies' and Misses' Mackintoshes Several hundred Ladies' and Misses' Cloth Mackintoshes will be put on sale to-day at half of cost of roduction. Ladies' Mackintoshes, cloth covered, 3

Boys' Suits.

A windowful of Suits for boys 4 to 15 years of age. At the main entrance is an exposition of what our great cash purchasing will do. The materials are strictly Ali-Wool Cheviots. Il different patterns, and the Suits are made up just the same as our \$4 Suits. The price is \$1.99 a suit.

Meyer's Big Dry Goods Store.

covered with lichens and wild clinging vines, and out of a crevice in its side, far above the ground, rushes forth a far above the ground, rushes forth a clear, cold stream of the sweetest and purest of chalybeate waters. This spring is, indeed, a lonely spot. The scenery around it is wild, yet soothing and pleasant. A streamlet trickles forth from the spring, sparkling as it loses itself amid the wild lilies and Mayapples that grow all tangled and matted in its bed, until it finds at last the river, itseling for down toward the South. flashing far down toward the South.

On warm summer days sometimes find their way to this place 'twere not oftener), and spend half-day or more enjoying the splendid water and the pleasant shade. Such a place as Rock Spring is more inspiring than the grandest works of art. Nothing can touch the heart like the deep simplicity of a scene tinted and propor tioned by nature's master hand; for

"Who can paint Like Nature? Can imagination boast, Amid its gay creation hues like hers? Or can it mix them with that matchless

And lose them in each other, as appears In every bud that blows?

But there is a coarse, mechanical side to Woods mountain's history. Ruskin would groan to know that such a place had been bored into, dug, and torn by miserable wretches, searching for that base metal, iron. Yes; three or four deep pits remain—though now nearly hidden-and around them are scattered red-dish and black chunks of what is said to be the finest of specular ores. speculating company found the here in large quantities, but abandoned the place for lack of transportation fa-cilities. There is not a railroad in eight ellities. There is not a land be expected to prosper under circumstances such as

A BURYING-GROUND. Some months ago I was informed that a small burying-ground had been disvered by some one on the top of one mountains; and, in the company friend, who had visited the place, I determined to go and find out something more definite about this last resting-place of some poor, unknown, and for-We climbed the high, gotten mortals. gotten mortals. We climbed the high, mossy rocks and steep declivities, until, at last we reached the spot—a little sunny glade, immediately on the top of a tall wooded ridge, far off from any sign of habitation, or the despoliations of man. The ground was covered with a thick growth of arbor vitae, which had choked out the smaller undergrowth of all kinds, and which made the place appear somewhat like a modern burying-ground. There seemed to have been several graves there, but we could see distinct traces of only one. of this one was a rough stone, and im-mediately behind the stone a tall oak tree-perhaps grown up since the grave was made. Behind the rough headstone, in a receptacle, made for it, was a little soapstone slab, about 6x8 inches in size, and cut into this in plain letters was the inscription, "Edm'd Wood; D. 1761."

I have spent many an hour deciphering the inscriptions upon the tombstones around the old historic town at James-town, and in the Briton churchyard at Williamsburg, but I must confess that I was never so moved by any of the antiquities which I found there as I was by this ties which I found there as I was by this little stone, hidden away in the wilds of Buckingham. Here, far up on the head waters of the Appomattox, even now wild and romantic. 130 years ago died Edmund Wood. At this time the section must have been wild and sparsely peopled. There were a few stray Indians, no doubt, and many wild animals to contend with; and Edmund Wood was one of the pionand Edmund Wood was one of the pion-cers who helped to bring the land under subjection. To his name let there be honor. While Botetourt and Dinwiddle rolled in their carriages of state through the streets of Williamsburg. Edmund Wood was away up here on the frontier conquering and subduing the wilderness. Here, with his little family, he lived and and Edmund Wood was one of the plor

"Far from the madding crowd's ignoble

strife. Their sober wishes never learned to Along the cool, sequestered vale of life
They kept the noiseless tenor of the
way."